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1. The reply filed on 5-18-04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The amendments to Figure 4 and the substitute specification do not comply with 37 CFR 1.121 effective 7-30-03 because they do not show the changes to the drawing and specification as amended by the preliminary amendment of 01/09/02, an article 34 amendment. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

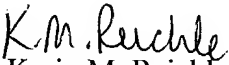
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2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Karin M. Reichle whose telephone number is (703) 308-2617. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

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